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Dearest Mrs Garrison,

There is just time while the supper is being prepared to write you word of my safe arrival & pleasant journey, & warm reception in this pretty little house. Helen Pillsbury met me at the depot & after introducing me to her home & its inmates she took me to the top of their street which has such a fine view of the town & its surroundings. I only wished that people had not—

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availed themselves of all the
good sites for houses, (Ute Mr
Garrison,) but that some spaces
had been left for my benefit.
Still I saw enough to admire
the situation of Concord & feel
no lack of air. The whole railway line
was agreeable, between Manchester
& Concord - very picturesque. The
river all along is so fine & stretching.
This journey was by far my most-
comfortable experience of your
"cars," they were not crowded &
the seats less sloping than those
at-which I grumbled to Frank.

Please to tell him that I had to change trains at Lowell, but found an equally good place. He was very good in planning it all for me; & the ascent of the State House cupola was quite an addition to my picture gallery

Mr Garrison shall hear from me when any excursion with Mr May is arranged. I gave Mrs Pillsbury the letter, & your loving messages. She could only repeat her wish that you & Mr Garrison & Frank were here too! She sends you all a great deal of love, & says she

feels pretty sure we shall
get on well. Mr Brainard
C - - - is waiting to take this
to the post-on his way to his office
so I have no time to pour out my
thanks to you & Fanny, & Frank, -
& dear Mr Garrison above all, for
your kindness; but indeed my
heart is very full yet, & I will
try to live the gratitude it awakens.

In much love

Your affectionate

Mary A Estlin.